

ROSS SEEKS FIRST TITLE

Six Teams In Night Relays Friday

Ross high school, currently enjoying one of its greatest track season starts, will be out to be the team to end the Bowling Green Domination of the Fremont Night Relays Friday. Ross and Bowling Green will be joined by four other teams in the Night Relays.

Field events will begin at 5 p.m. with running answering the gun at 7:30 p.m. Other schools competing in the Relays will be Fostoria, Findlay, Oregon Clay and Port Clinton.

Last year, Bowling Green won for the second consecutive

year as three new records were established. All varsity competition which counts toward the team trophy points will be in relays. Three boys in each school will compete for a combined distance or height in high jump, long jump, pole vault, discus and shot put.

Running relays will be 440-yard relay, two-mile relay, shuttle hurdles, sprint medley (110, 110, 220, 440) and distance medley (880, 220, 440, mile).

In addition there will be four events for freshmen teams, which do not count toward the championship.

Team trophies will be presented to the championship team and runnerup. Ribbons will go to individual second, third, fourth places and medals to members of individual winning relay teams.

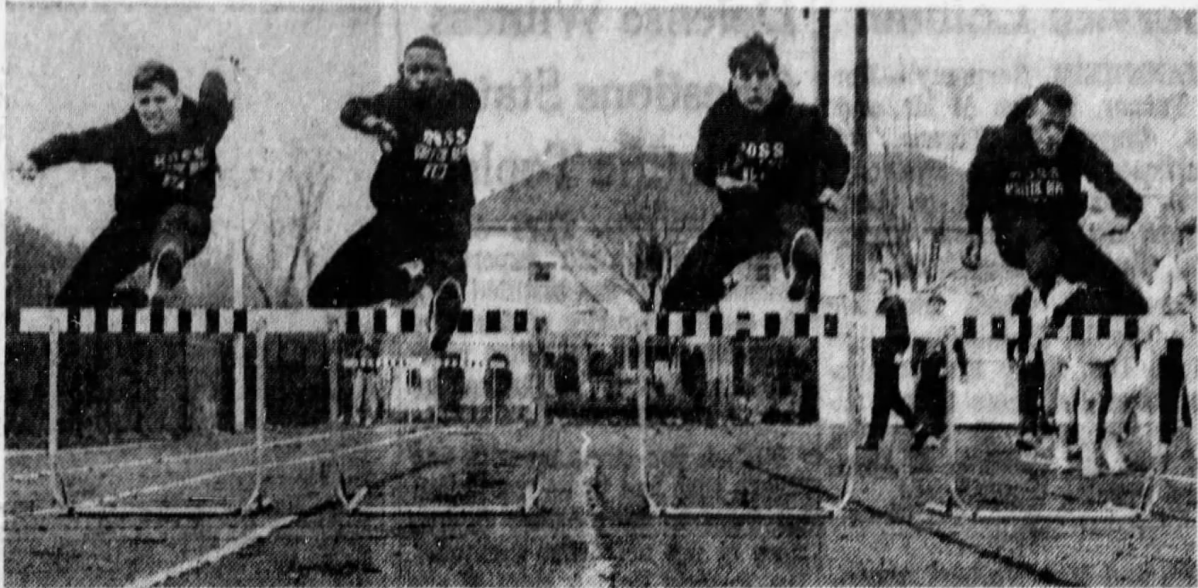
Ross has never won its own relay, now in its seventh year. The highest finish for the Fremont school has been third with 29 points a year ago. Little Giants finished behind Bowling Green and Fostoria. Ross won one event a year ago, the mile relay in a clocking of 3:34.2. One member of that relay team, Steve Parker, is back in action.

This year the American Legion is helping sponsor the event and will work with members of the athletic department and Ross Boosters in managing the meet.

Records in the Night Relays are:

880—yard relay, Ross, 1:33.7; 440-yard relay, :45.2; mile relay, Ross, 3:34.2; shot put, Findlay, 148-2; discus, Findlay, 382-5½; high jump, Clay, 16-9.

Two-mile relay, Bowling Green, 8:23.7; shuttle hurdle, Clay, :55.2; sprint medley, Bowling Green, 1:37.2; distance medley, Clay, 8:07.3.



Junior High Track Teams Post Victories

Fremont Junior High teams in

ROSS HOPES IN NIGHT RELAYS tonight ride partially on the shuttle hurdle event. Four of Ross' top hurdlers who may be called upon for this event are Jeff Wise, Jim Daniels, Phil Tooman and Tom Pettiford. All have placed in the early season hurdle events, and Pettiford has posted times among the honor roll top three in the high hurdles for the area. (News-Messenger Photo).

PORT CLINTON BREAKS TWO RECORDS

Ross Little Giants Capture Seventh Fremont Night Relays

Championship of its own track meet had been an elusive thing for Fremont Ross for six years. Coming through with five first places in the meet the Little Giants on the seventh try nailed down the Fremont Night Relays trophy Saturday night. Battling cold, wind and five teams which had deprived them of the title in the past, Ross was shutout in only one event, the 880-yard relay, next to last event to be run. By this time Ross, which is

blessed with good 220-yard dash men, the heart of the 880-yard relay, needed only a fifth place in one of the final two events for the championship. Coach Rod Lash closed his mile relay team for the closing event at the expense of the 880-yard relay. The mile relay team of Rusty Williams, Jon Schwartz, Phil Tooman and Steve Parker came through not only with one point but with first place. Ross' other first places were

in the shot put, 440-yard dash, shuttle hurdles and sprint medley. Sharing the spotlight under Harmon Field's new lights with Ross was the second place Port Clinton team. The Redskins won three events, setting Night Relays records in two of these. Port Clinton with Ron Johnson throwing the discus 152 feet, set a Relays record in the discus throw. They bettered the old record by Bowling Green by ap-

proximately 18 feet and topped second place Ross by better than 50 feet. The other Port Clinton discus throwers were Marly Arft and Mike Lemon. Arft was a member of both record setting teams. He teamed with Nielsen and Wileer to set a Relays mark of 16-10 in the high jump. In winning the shot put Ross' Dave Rhodes and John Burkin were each over 43 feet and Brad Lawrence topped 38 feet. Tom

Pettiford had the best individual pole vault of the meet, 11-9, to lead Ross to a 22-3 total height and tie for second place. Heavy duty was seen by junior sprinters Steve Parker and Rusty Williams and sophomore Jon Schwartz. All three ran on Ross winning teams. They were three-quarters of the 440-yard sprint medley and mile relay teams. The trio teamed with senior Craig Swartz in the 440-yard and sprint medley, and

with Phil Tooman in the mile. Coach Rod Lash wore a double smile, one for the victory and one for the fact only three of the Little Giant competitors are seniors. The jubilant Little Giants hoisted and carried Lash, his assistants Ron Brant, Norm Bray and John Beiling, plus team captains Tooman and Burkin to an early shower. The meet was sponsored by the American Legion in conjunction with the Ross Boosters and

Ross athletic departments. The winning team trophy which went to Ross was donated by Whirlpool Corporation. Ross Boosters donated Port Clinton's runner-up trophy. Fremont also dominated the freshman portion of the Night Relays. Fremont freshmen teams won three of the four events run for ninth graders in the Relays. None of the freshman events counted toward the final team score.

TRACK NOTES:

Matson Breaks Own Shot Mark

COLLEGE STATION, Tex. (AP) — Fabulous Randy Matson had been expecting to hit 71 feet in the shot put for three weeks — he was in just the condition and size he figured necessary to become the first man ever to reach that mark.

While his Texas A&M fellow students roared from the stands at historical Kyle Field Saturday, Matson threw the shot 71 feet, 5 1/2 inches, breaking his world's record by 10 1/2 inches. He did it on Randy Matson Day — the occasion when his school honored him on his last appearance in track and field at home.

Broncos Win Mid-Am

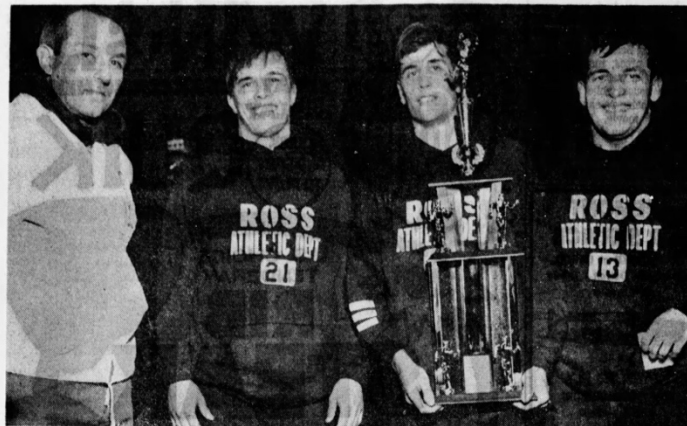
TOLEDO, Ohio (AP) — A strong showing by Western Michigan prevented nonconference teams from stealing the show Saturday in the first running of the Mid-American Conference Relays.

The Broncos won seven events, a total matched by Penn State, in the 22-event meet passed up by three host conference schools. Miami, Kent State and Ohio University Athletics competed in the Ohio Relays at Columbus Saturday.

Ryun Sets Drake Mark

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) — Running marvel Jim Ryun, admitting to a case of pre-meet nerves, proved to himself Saturday he's right on schedule in his quest of a 3:50 mile by producing an intercollegiate record 3:54.7 at the 42nd Kansas Relays.

Ryun stated beforehand he had no thoughts of nearing his world mark of 3:51.3, that the race was an experiment to determine where he was in his training. But rumors about what the incredible Kansas sophomore is shooting for spring up like dandelions at every meet he competes in.



ROSS' WINNING COACH AND ONLY SENIORS ON NIGHT RELAYS CHAMPION TEAM
Coach Rod Lash, Craig Swartz, Co-Captains Phil Tooman, John Burkin



PORT CLINTON'S ARFT AFTER DISCUS RELIEF
Part Of Record-Setting Teams In Discus, High Jump

Putting Stress Pays Off, Yancey Leads Dallas Open

DALLAS (AP) — Bert Yancey, with the idea that the most important thing in golf is to get the ball in the hole, fired a four-under-par 66 to take a one-stroke lead in the \$100,000 Greater Dallas Open Tournament. Then he lectured on putting. "A lot of players are afraid to try to be good putters," he told the press room Sunday after he had slammed into first place at 54 holes with 203-seven under par.

"They want to be known as hitters and neglect putting. I believe that since putting is the most important thing in golf, one should concentrate on that. I practice a lot."

Yancey had just toured the 6,777-yard Oak Cliff Country Club course in 36 putts and included 25, 50, 40 and 15-yard birdie putts in his collection.

Illustrating his observation that hitting the ball wasn't as important as most folks thought, he was spraying his tee shots and irons.

That caused bogeys on the first and ninth holes when he drove into the roughs. But his sensational putting made up for it.

"I look at the back of the ball to keep my head still," he explained.

Yancey, in his fourth year on the tour and winner of three tournaments plus almost \$100,000 in cash, led another ex-colo-

ny shot a 68 for 204 at 54 holes as he and Yancey moved past Roberto DeVenzio of Argentina and such shot-makers as Gay Brewer, Bob Goalby and Bobby Nichols.

DeVenzio led the tournament at 36 holes with 134 but slumped to a three-over-par 73 Sunday. He fell all the way to a tie for seventh place at 307 with Brewer, who could manage only 72.

Goalby had a 70 and was tied with Charley Sifford for third at 205. Nichols soared to a 77 for a 213 total and was tied for 28th place.

Sifford posted a 70 Sunday and along with Goalby is only two strokes off the pace. Tied for fifth at 206 are Bob Charles, the New Zealander, who had Sunday's best round — a 65 — and Doug Sanders, who managed a 67 although playing with an upset stomach.

The 6,777-yard Oak Cliff Country Club course was in perfect shape as a bright sun dried it out from the heavy rains that caused postponement and delay of rounds. Only 10 players, however, bettered par.

National Basketball Association

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Playoff Finals
Saturday's Results
No games scheduled

Night Relays Summary

TEAM TOTALS: Ross 47 1/2, Port Clinton 37, Findlay 35 1/2, Bowling Green 33 1/2, Fostoria 20, Clay 18 1/2.

LONG JUMP — Bowling Green (Vogtsberger, Ballard, Haim), 58-3; Fostoria, 56-4 1/2; Findlay, 55-9 1/2; Port Clinton, 55-2; Ross (Daniels, Tooman, Pettiford), 54-4 1/2.

HIGH JUMP — Port Clinton (Nielsen, Arft, Wileer), 16-10 (New record, breaks 16-9 held by Oregon Clay); Findlay, 16-2; Bowling Green, 15-8; Clay, 10-4; Ross (Voorhees, Wise, Pettiford), 10-4.

SHOT PUT — Ross (Burkin, Rhodes, Lawrence), 125-9 1/2; Bowling Green, 124-3/4; Findlay, 122-2 1/2; Port Clinton, 120-6 1/2; Fostoria, 119-9 1/2.

DISCUS — Port Clinton (Johnson, Lemon, Arft), 415-13 1/2 (New record, breaks 397-2 1/2 held by Bowling Green); Ross (Good, Rhodes, Burkin), 355-10;

Clay, 355-7 1/2; Bowling Green, 338-5 1/2; Findlay, 331-5 1/2.

POLE VAULT — Fostoria (Jeter, Stroman, Graves), 31-0; Ross (Pettiford, Tooman, Daniels), 30-0; Ross and Bowling Green tied for second, 22-3; Findlay and Clay tied for fourth, 10-6.

440 — Ross (Swartz, Schwartz, Williams, Parker), 45-8; Findlay, 46-2; Port Clinton, 46-4; Bowling Green, 46-8; Fostoria, 47-3.

TWO MILE — Findlay (Rish, Weiler, Shoop, Johnson), 8:35-4; Ross (Tindall, Cheek, Gelb, Mackey), 8:55-8; Port Clinton, 9:04; Clay, 9:12-3; Bowling Green, 9:13-2.

SHUTTLE HURDLE — Ross (Wise, Daniels, Tooman, Pettiford), 58-9; Findlay, 59-3; Clay, 59-3; Port Clinton, 59-8; Fostoria, 61-8.

SPRINT MEDLEY — Ross (Schwartz, Swartz, Williams, Parker), 1:38-5; Bowling Green, 1:39-9; Fostoria, 1:42-2; Findlay, 1:42-7; Clay, 1:43-3.

DISTANCE MEDLEY — Port Clinton (Ihnat, Brant, Lemon, Ashbee), 8:30; Ross (Tindall, Reardon, Mackey, Gelb), 8:43; Clay, 8:44-3; Bowling Green, 9:03-5; Fostoria, no time. (Findlay won event but disqualified for baton pass outside zone and pacing runner on backstretch).

880 RELAY — Bowling Green (Ballard, Weaver, Helm, Vogtsberger), 1:35-6; Findlay, 1:36-3; Port Clinton, 1:36-6; Fostoria, 1:41-6; Clay, 1:42-0.

MILE RELAY — Ross (Williams, Schwartz, Tooman, Parker), 3:37-5; Port Clinton, 3:38-6; Findlay, 3:44-2; Clay, 3:50; Fostoria, 3:56-9.

FRESHMAN EVENTS

440 RELAY — Ross, 49-3; Fostoria, 49-4; Findlay, 49-5; Bowling Green, 52-4; Port Clinton, 52-7.

440 — Findlay, 56-7; Fostoria, 56-8; Ross (Taylor), 56-8-5; Bowling Green, 58-5; Port Clinton, 58-7.

880 RELAY — Ross, 1:43-1; Findlay, 1:45-1; Fostoria, 1:49-1; Port Clinton, 1:50-2; Bowling Green, 2:10-2.

SHUTTLE HURDLE — Ross, 64-3; Findlay, 66-5; Port Clinton, 68-8; Bowling Green, 74-7.

Toronto Ends Montreal String

MONTREAL (AP) — Their long unbeaten string finally snapped, the Montreal Canadiens hope to bounce back against the Toronto Maple Leafs in the third game of their Stanley Cup playoff series Tuesday at Toronto.

